

electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element, and a connecting layer being formed with a conductive resin between the leading end portion and said electrode, and said piezoelectric resonator element being attached to said leads to an end of the substantially U-shaped opening of said leading end portion on a side facing said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side facing said supporting member may be positioned at said end of the substantially U-shaped opening and that the piezoelectric resonator element is supported by said leads so that a gap is formed between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element.

8. (Twice Amended) A method for manufacturing a piezoelectric resonator comprising:

attaching a piezoelectric resonator element comprising a piezoelectric body having an electrode formed thereon, to a plurality of leads which connect said piezoelectric resonator element mechanically to a supporting member and permit electrical connection thereof;

providing a gap between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element; and

forming a connecting layer of a conductive resin between said electrode and flat leading end portions of said leads, connected substantially in parallel with said electrode, opening in substantially a U shape toward a leading end thereof, said electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element,

said piezoelectric resonator element being attached to said leads to an end of the substantially U-shaped opening of said leading end portion on a side facing said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side facing said supporting member may be positioned at said end of the substantially U-shaped opening.

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14. (Twice Amended) A piezoelectric resonator unit having a piezoelectric resonator, and a hollow protector, the piezoelectric resonator comprising:

- a piezoelectric resonator element having a piezoelectric body and an electrode formed on a surface of the piezoelectric body;
- a supporting member supporting said piezoelectric resonator element; and
- a plurality of leads mechanically connecting said piezoelectric resonator element to said supporting member and permitting electrical connection thereof each of said leads being provided with a flat leading end portion which opens in a substantially U-shaped opening toward a leading end, connected substantially in parallel with said electrode, said electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element, and a connecting layer being formed with a conductive resin between the leading end portion and said electrode, and
- said piezoelectric resonator element being supported by said leads so that a gap is formed between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element,
- said piezoelectric resonator being inserted, and sealed by said supporting member and said protector, and said piezoelectric resonator being attached to said leads to an end of the substantially U-shaped opening of said leading end portion on a side facing said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side facing said supporting member may be positioned at said end of the substantially U-shaped opening.

20. (Twice Amended) The piezoelectric resonator unit according to claim 14, said connecting layer being provided with a reinforcing layer of a conductive resin or a non-conductive resin coated so as to cover at least said connecting layer and the leading end portion of said leads.

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21. (Twice Amended) A method for manufacturing a piezoelectric resonator unit comprising:

attaching a piezoelectric resonator element comprising a piezoelectric body having an electrode formed thereon, to a plurality of leads which connect said piezoelectric resonator element mechanically to a supporting member and permit electrical connection thereof;

providing a gap between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element;

forming a connecting layer of a conductive resin between said electrode and flat leading end portions of said leads, connected substantially in parallel with said electrode, opening in substantially a U shape toward a leading end thereof, said electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element;

inserting the piezoelectric resonator element connected to said supporting member into a hollow protector; and

sealing the piezoelectric resonator by said supporting member and said protector,

said piezoelectric resonator element being attached to said leads to an end of the substantially U-shaped opening of said leading end portion on a side facing said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side facing said supporting member may be positioned at said end of the substantially U-shaped opening.

#### REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-14 and 16-26 are pending. By this amendment, claims 2 and 15 are canceled, and claims 1, 8, 14, 20 and 21 are amended. Claims 1, 8 and 21 are amended to recite features of canceled claim 2. Claim 14 is amended to recite the features of canceled claim 15. Claim 20 is amended to correct minor informalities. No new matter is added.